

(c) the reasons for not achieving the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D.K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) to (c). The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the house.

Cancellation of Trains

1120. SHRI ABHAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Unchahar Express has been cancelled recently;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to introduce any other train in its place;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) whether some passenger coaches of the train have been attached to other trains?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (d). Unchahar Express has been withdrawn temporarily to conserve diesel locomotives to cater to peak season goods traffic. This train will be restored during April, 1992.

(e) No, Sir.

Technical assistance to Zimbabwe

1121. SHRI RAM BADAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rail India Technical and Economic Services Limited (RITES) have signed any contract with the World Bank to

provide technical assistance to Zimbabwe;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of experts and other personnel proposed to be sent to Zimbabwe by the Government under the contract?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) to (c). RITES have signed a contract with the National Railways of Zimbabwe (NRZ) on December 17, 1991, to provide technical assistance to strengthen the maintenance and operations of the NRZ system for the calendar year, 1992. The NRZ is being provided aid by the World Bank for the project. RITES envisages deputing 38 persons, including computer specialists, engineers, supervisors and technicians from India to undertake the work.

[English]

Production and Export of Sugar

1122. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the steps taken to increase the production and export of sugar during the current year;

(b) the quantity of sugar produced and exported during 1990-91 and 1991-92;

(c) the details of incentives introduced to increase the production of sugar during the current year; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) For increasing sugar production during the current 1991-92 season, Government has taken various measures